Q & A EC Directors' Webinar December 2, 2014

Parents' Rights

1. Does a one page document containing the web address for the Handbook on Parents' Rights meet the legal requirements regarding Procedural Safeguards Notice (NC 1504-1.5)?

No. The regulations indicate that a copy of the Procedural Safeguards must be given to the parents one time a year, with three exceptions. [NC 1504-1.5(a)] The contents of the procedural safeguards notice must include a full explanation of the procedural safeguards available. [NC 1504-1.5(c)] Therefore, the one page document with the web address does not meet the requirements outlined in the regulations and state policies.

NC SIP

2. Where can it be found in writing that 90% of NCSIP funds must be used for professional development, training and only 10% can be used for supplies and materials?

http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-08-02/pdf/2012-18918.pdf

Page 46072 of the Federal Register/Vol. 77, No. 149 dated Thursday, August 2, 2012/Notices (d) Use of Funds for Professional Development—An SEA that receives a grant under this program must use—

- (1) Not less than 90 percent of the funds the SEA receives under the grant for any fiscal year for the Professional Development Activities described in paragraph (a); and
- (2) Not more than 10 percent of the funds the SEA receives under the grant for any fiscal year for the Other Activities described in paragraph (b) {which can be referenced at the above link}

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3. Will this webinar be archived?

The webinar is not archived, but the PowerPoint and any attachments will be posted on the EC Division website under the webinar tab.

PRTFs

4. A number of students that go to PRTFs are not EC. We have had several come back into our county. So when they call to request records if the student is NOT EC will those requests come to the EC contact too?

LEAs/Charter Schools should have an internal discussion with student services to determine the flow of information in your particular LEA/Charter School.

Medicaid

5. How can the funds we receive back from Medicaid billing be used?

These funds should be used to support special education services. Each LEA/Charter School should

develop a plan for the expenditure of these funds.

PRC 119

6. Where do you locate PRC 119?

Allocations should be visible through your financial report. Please contact Vivian James (<u>Vivian.james@dpi.nc.gov</u> / 919 218-8384) with specific questions regarding PRC119 funding.

7. Do we need to enter PRC 119 on the PRC Combined Expenditure report?

Enter the information if you received PRC119 funds in the carryover column. The tabs are already in place.

8. Why is PRC 119 reported on four tabs?

Each tab represents a different funding purpose

Translating EC Forms

9. If a meeting is translated in Spanish for the parents, are we required to translate all of the forms in Spanish as well?

The regulations require that parent participation include "use of interpreters or other action, as appropriate, and a parent copy of the child's IEP." [NC 1503-4.3 (e)(f)] If the parent is unable to understand spoken English, there is a high likelihood that the parent may not also understand written English. Therefore, to remain consistent with the regulations that ensure meaningful parent participation, YES, you must also translate the forms in Spanish.

*Please note, the DEC forms are in Spanish on the EC website. You may find them by following this link: